



2013 Summer Season Temporary Employment Opportunities

US Forest Service, Eastern Region Superior National Forest

Locations available in Minnesota – Town (Ranger District) Cook (LaCroix), Ely (Kawishiwi), Aurora (Laurentian), Tofte (Tofte), Grand Marais (Gunflint)

The Superior National Forest is seeking qualified applicants to fill a variety of temporary full-time positions for the 2013 summer season. For additional information on the Superior National Forest and employment opportunities visit http://www.fs.usda.gov/superior and select "Employment" on the right-hand side.



Positions are within various departments including <u>administration</u>, <u>recreation</u>, <u>wilderness</u>, <u>timber preparation</u>, <u>reforestation</u>, <u>silviculture</u>, <u>wildlife</u>, <u>fisheries</u>, <u>botany</u>, <u>soils</u>, <u>and fire management</u>. The deadline to apply to these positions is **February 1**, **2013**.

Length of season and number of positions will depend upon budget. Seasonal housing may be available for employees.

Temporary Positions

Temporary positions (approximately 6 months) are listed on an **Open Continuous Vacancy Announcement** with no closing date. **These announcement numbers are listed below**. Those that wish to be considered for available positions must apply to the corresponding announcement number by close of business on *February 1, 2013*. All applicants who have applied to announcements on or before the listed date and are found to be qualified will be referred for consideration. The vacancy announcements for these positions are posted on the USAJobs website found at www.usajobs.gov. Applicants must submit their application through www.usajobs.gov. Candidates can select from any of the following locations — **Cook, MN; Ely, MN; Aurora, MN; Tofte, MN; Grand Marais, MN.**

Vacancy announcements for timber preparation, wildlife, fisheries, botany, and soils are not yet posted on USAjobs. Please check back frequently to this site for updates.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2013 ON THE SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST

The Superior National Forest located in northeast Minnesota is seeking candidates to fill a number of temporary positions this summer. These positions are located on the **East Zone** (**EZ**) Tofte and Grand Marais, and the **West Zone** (**WZ**) Aurora, Ely, and Cook. If you are interested in one of the positions listed below, please contact the appropriate person listed with each position for additional information on how to apply.

Forestry Technician (reforestation and stand exam) — Applicant serves as a member of the district's reforestation or inventory crew. Responsibilities include but are not limited to: assisting in contract administration, site preparation, and plantation improvement contracts; performing survival and stocking evaluation exams using a personal data recorder; and layout, flagging and traversing of future contract areas; and downloading stand and plot level data in the corporate database. Candidate may be required to work independently at various times of the summer. The work week is typically Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week, and can be physically demanding. **Contacts:** EZ: Tofte & Grand Marais - Myra Theimer 218-387-3243 or mtheimer@fs.fed.us: WZ: Ely - Chad Kirschbaum 218-365-7574 or ckirschbaum@fs.fed.us.

Series and Grade: GS-462-3 (Forestry Aid)

Series and Grade: GS-462-4

Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-03-GEN-DT

Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-4-TSI-DT

Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-5-TSI-DT

Forestry Technician (sale preparation) - Applicant serves as a member of the district's sale preparation crew. Duties include: marking trees in timber sale units, flagging or painting timber sale unit boundaries, using Global Positioning System (GPS) to record unit boundaries and other unit features. The work week is typically Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week. The work can be physically demanding. Contacts: EZ: Tofte & Grand Marais – Derek Anderson, (218) 663-8072 or derekdanderson@fs.fed.us, WZ: Ely & Aurora -Cari Johnson, 218-229-8807 or cariajohnson@fs.fed.us; Cook – Stacy Stratton, 218-229-8811 or stacystratton@fs.fed.us

Series and Grade: GS-462-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-04-TSP-DT Series and Grade: GS-462-5 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-5-TSP-DT

Forestry Technician (fire – engine operator) — Applicant serves as a member of the district's fire crew. Duties include: driving fire engines to wildland fire locations; using water, foam, or other specialized fire equipment to fight fires; performing many strenuous activities like constructing fire line, laying out hose to reach a fire, or mopping up after a fire; conducting operations safely. Schedules can be quite variable and can include long work hours depending on the level of fire activity. Contacts: EZ: Grand Marais - Vance Hazelton, 218-387-3251 or whazelton@fs.fed.us; Tofte & Isabella - Cory Berg, 218-663-8610 or cberg@fs.fed.us; WZ: Ely - Steve Teeter, 218-365-7568 or steeter@fs.fed.us; or Jeb Backe, 218-365-7557 or backe@fs.fed.us; Aurora – John Abts 218-229-8816 or jabts@fs.fed.us; Aurora – John Abts 218-229-8816 or jabts@fs.fed.us;

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Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-4-ENGINE-DT

Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-5-ENGINE-DT

Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-5-ENGINE-DT

Forestry Technician (fuels technician) — Applicant serves as a member of the East Zone Fire and Fuels Management Program. Duties include: Collecting and compiling fuel hazard reduction and wildfire monitoring data; maintaining fuels and fire management databases such as FFI, fire history spatial data, and weather/fuel moisture data; creating and updating wildfire and fuel management maps using GIS/GPS; collecting fuel treatment activity records for required reports and final project completion; organizing and filing fuel management implementation documentation; assisting with daily fire staffing and wildfire suppression; and implementing prescribed burn plans for less complex projects and fuel types. Contacts: EZ: Grand Marais & Tofte — Bre Schueller, 218-663-8609 or bschueller@fs.fed.us,

Series and Grade: GS-462-5 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-5-FUELS-DT

Forestry Technician (wilderness) — Applicant is part of the district's crew working in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW). Duties include: routine maintenance of wilderness campsites involving tasks such as felling trees or digging latrines; trail maintenance; checking visitor permits; restoring campsites. Work usually consists of 8 day trips and 10 hour days. The work is physically demanding, requiring employees to be able to live and work in remote settings. Contacts: EZ — Ryan Blaisdell, 218-663-8603 or rblaisdell@fs.fed.us, WZ: Ely -Steve Cochran, 218-365-7610 or scochran@fs.fed.us; Cook — Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 or tengrav@fs.fed.us;

Series and Grade: GS-462-3 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0462-03-GEN-DT Series and Grade: GS-462-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-462-04-WLDN-DT

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Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-462-05-WLDN-DT

Forestry Technician (recreation & trails) — Applicant works in the district recreation program. Typical duties include: trail maintenance activities such as clearing fallen trees or maintaining trail tread; campground maintenance activities; performing maintenance at boat landings such as installing signs or maintaining parking areas. The work can be physically demanding, and usually consists of a 40 hour work week, Monday-Friday. Contacts: EZ: Tofte & Grand Marais -Jon Benson 218-663-8085, or jabenson@fs.fed.us, WZ: Cook & Aurora - Tim Engrav 218-666-0025 or tengrav@fs.fed.us; Ely - Carl Skustad, 218-365-7615 or cskustad@fs.fed.us.

Series and Grade: GS-462-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-462-4-REC-DT Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-462-5-REC-DT Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-462-5-REC-DT

Series and Grade: GS-462-5

Biological Science Technician (plants) – Applicant serves as part of the Forest's invasive plant treatment crew. Duties include: herbicide application to invasive plant populations (using backpack sprayer or truck mounted sprayer), field surveys for invasive plants, collecting field data and entering it into spreadsheets and databases, using GPS units. Applicants need to have valid driver's license. Work week is Monday-Thursday, 40 hours/week. **Contact:** WZ: Ely & Aurora - Jack Greenlee, 218-229-8817 or jackgreenlee@fs.fed.us

Series and Grade: GS-404-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0404-4-PLANTS-DT Series and Grade: GS-404-5 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0404-5-PLANTS-DT

Biological Science Technician (wildlife or fisheries) — Applicant serves on the Forest's Fisheries and Monitoring crew. Duties include: conducting Forest Plan implementation monitoring surveys, aquatic passage projects, stream surveys, riparian planting inspections, electro-shocking, etc. Applicants need to have a valid driver's license. The work can be physically demanding and usually consists of a 40 hour work week, Monday-Friday. Duty location is Ely, MN. Please send resume to contact person to apply for position. **Contact**: Jason Butcher, 218-626-4307 or jtbutcher@fs.fed.us.

Series and Grade: GS-404-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0404-04-FISH-DT Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0404-5-FISH-DT

<u>Office Automation Clerk</u> - Responsibilities include issuing BWCAW permits, answering phones and general forest questions, general clerical duties. Schedules include weekends and holidays. **Contacts:** EZ: Tofte, Isabella, & Grand Marais - Renee Frahm, 218-663-8064 or rfrahm@fs.fed.us; WZ: Ely - Becca Manlove, 218-365-2093 or rmanlove@fs.fed.us.

Series and Grade: GS-326-4 Vacancy Announcement: TEMPOCR-0326-4-CLERK-DT

Biological Science Technician (soils) – Primary duties include soil monitoring on timber harvest sites and/or potential prescribed burn sites. This will include pre-field preparation, field data collection and data entry. Other duties *may* include watershed improvement projects or field inventory. Typical work week is Monday - Friday, 40 hours a week. Work can be strenuous and may involve traversing uneven terrain in a variety of weather conditions. Applicants will typically work as part of a two-person crew but may work alone. **A majority of the work would be in the field and may require travel and/or overnight travel.** Knowledge of basic soil and soil management principles is desirable. Applicants need to possess a valid driver's license. Duty station is Ely, MN. Please send resume to contact to apply for position. **Contact:** WZ: Ely - Jim Barott, 218-365-2099 or ibarott@fs.fed.us.

Series and Grade: GS-404-4 Vacancy Announcement: Not yet posted; check back for updates Series and Grade: GS-404-5 Vacancy Announcement: Not yet posted; check back for updates

HOW TO APPLY

FOR A TEMPORARY* POSITIONS

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*A 1039 appointment is a temporary position that cannot exceed 1039 hours of work in a year.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS and PAY ESTIMATES

Hourly wages for: GS-3 = \$11.95; GS-4 = \$13.41; GS-5 = \$15.00

Example of Minimum Qualification Requirements for GS-3, GS-4 and GS-5 Forestry Technicians

Grade 03: Qualifying experience for the GS-3 level includes six months general experience that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position or that provided familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the occupation.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of one (1) academic year of post high school education which included at least 6 semester/9 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as range management or conservation, agriculture, forestry, wildlife management, engineering, biology, mathematics, or other natural or physical sciences.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

<u>Grade 04</u>: Qualifying experience for the GS-04 level includes six months general experience that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position or that provided familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the occupation AND six months specialized experience at the GS-03 level that is directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of two (2) academic years of post-high school education which included at least 12 semester/18 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 3 semester hours in mathematics is creditable.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

Grade 05: Qualifying experiences includes one year of specialized experience equivalent to GS-4. Specialized experience is experience which is in or directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of a four (4) year course of study leading to a bachelors' degree or the equivalent. Education must include at least 24 semester/36 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 6 semester/9 quarter hours in mathematics is creditable.

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